

Date: January 18, 2007  
 To: Court of Appeals Judges, Director of State Courts, Staff Counsel, Clerk's Office Staff  
 From: Cornelia G. Clark, Clerk  
 Re: COURT OF APPEALS MONTHLY STATISTICAL REPORT - DECEMBER

**Cumulative: January 1, 2006 through December 31, 2006**

<b>APPELLATE DISTRICT</b>	<b>I</b>	<b>II</b>	<b>III</b>	<b>IV</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
Cases Carried Over from December 31	<u>714</u>	<u>442</u>	<u>363</u>	<u>482</u>	<u>2001</u>
Civil	297	257	223	293	1070
Criminal	417	185	140	189	931
Cases Filed	<u>919</u>	<u>748</u>	<u>678</u>	<u>733</u>	<u>3078</u>
Civil	463	403	355	447	1668
Criminal	456	345	323	286	1410
Cases Docketed	<u>1633</u>	<u>1190</u>	<u>1041</u>	<u>1215</u>	<u>5079</u>
Civil	759	660	576	740	2735
Criminal	874	530	465	475	2344
Cases Reopened	<u>11</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>43</u>
Civil	7	6	6	14	33
Criminal	4	4	2	0	10
Cases Terminated *	<u>809</u>	<u>782</u>	<u>662</u>	<u>879</u>	<u>3132</u>
Opinion-Civil	222	178	159	237	796
Opinion-Criminal	<u>159</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>86</u>	<u>110</u>	<u>455</u>
Sub-Total	381	278	245	347	1251
Sum. Disp.-Civil	35	72	59	67	233
Sum. Disp.-Criminal	<u>117</u>	<u>181</u>	<u>151</u>	<u>198</u>	<u>647</u>
Sub-Total	152	253	187	265	880
Memo Opinion-Civil	147	129	112	157	545
Memo Opinion-Criminal	<u>77</u>	<u>64</u>	<u>62</u>	<u>69</u>	<u>272</u>
Sub-Total	224	193	174	226	817
Other-Civil	43	44	28	36	151
Other-Criminal	<u>9</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>33</u>
Sub-Total	52	58	31	41	184
Correction for Error	<u>0</u>	<u>+12</u>	<u>-2</u>	<u>+7</u>	<u>+17</u>
Civil	+2	+14	-1	+10	+25
Criminal	-2	-2	-1	-4	-8
Cases Pending	<u>702</u>	<u>453</u>	<u>376</u>	<u>476</u>	<u>2007</u>
Civil	309	255	213	294	1071
Criminal	393	198	163	182	936

\* Terminations are adjusted to reflect dispositions by panels assigned to cases filed in other districts and cover the "number of cases" terminated.

## Cases Activity During the Month of December 2006

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<b>APPELLATE DISTRICT</b>	<b>I</b>	<b>II</b>	<b>III</b>	<b>IV</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>Cases Filed</b>	<u>83</u>	<u>52</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>54</u>	<u>229</u>
Civil	37	22	22	37	118
Criminal	46	30	18	17	111
<b>Cases Terminated</b>	<u>75</u>	<u>63</u>	<u>54</u>	<u>72</u>	<u>264</u>
Opinion - Civil	23	9	13 1-IV/III	21 1-III/IV	66
Opinion - Criminal	29	11 1-I/II	7	12 5 - I/IV	59
Sum. Disp. - Civil	0	8	6	3 1-I/IV	17
Sum. Disp. - Criminal	5	16 1-I/II	17	20 6 - I/IV	58
Memo Opinion - Civil	10	8	6	7	31
Memo Opinion - Criminal	6	4	3	5	18
Other - Civil	1	5	1	4	11
Other - Criminal	1	2	1	0	4
<b>Cases Reopened</b>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>
Civil	0	1	0	0	1
Criminal	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Correction for Error</b>	<u>-1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>-1</u>	<u>-1</u>	<u>-3</u>
Civil	0	0	0	0	0
Criminal	-1	0	-1	-1	-3
<b>Notices of Appeal Filed:</b>	<b>I</b>	<b>II</b>	<b>III</b>	<b>IV</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>One-Judge Appeals</b>	<u>13</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>41</u>
Civil	12	6	3	6	27
Criminal	1	3	2	8	14
<b>Three-Judge Appeals</b>	<u>64</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>165</u>
Civil	19	13	13	24	69
Criminal	45	27	15	9	96
<b>Sup. Writs Filed</b>	3	1	4	1	9
<b>Sup. Writs Terminated</b>	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>7</u>
Granted	1	0	0	0	1
Denied, Dismissed, Other	2	1	3	0	6
<b>Sup. Writs Pending</b>	15	7	7	11	40
<b>Leave to Appeal Filed</b>	4	2	3	7	16
<b>Leave to Appeal Terminated</b>	<u>3</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>17</u>
Granted	1	1	0	1	3
Denied, Dismissed, Other	2	5	1	6	14
<b>Leave to Appeal Pending</b>	18	4	10	9	41

## Additional Matters During the Month of December 2006

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<b>APPELLATE DISTRICT</b>	<b>I</b>	<b>II</b>	<b>III</b>	<b>IV</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>Motions Filed</b>					
Numbered Cases	113	77	69	116	375
Extensions of Time	60	55	49	57	221
Unnumbered Cases	91	58	48	43	240
Sua Sponte Matters	<u>17</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>35</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>91</u>
Total Motions Filed	281	211	201	234	927
<b>Motions Terminated</b>					
Numbered Cases	114	71	65	112	362
Extensions of Time	65	50	50	55	220
Unnumbered Cases	99	52	54	39	244
Sua Sponte Matters	<u>19</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>98</u>
Total Motions Terminated	297	196	207	224	924
<b>Motions Pending</b>					
Numbered Cases	91	41	34	67	233
Extensions of Time	8	11	7	9	35
Unnumbered Cases	29	15	3	9	56
Sua Sponte Matters	<u>14</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>33</u>
Total Motions Pending	142	69	51	95	357
<b>Opinions Circulating:</b>	31	13	1	1	57
<b>Opinions Approved but not Released:</b>	1	7	0	0	8
<b>Petitions for Bypass Filed</b>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>
Civil	0	2	0	1	3
Criminal	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Certifications Filed</b>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>
Civil	1	0	0	0	1
Criminal	0	1	0	0	1
<b>Petitions for Review Filed</b>	<u>19</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>57</u>
Civil	8	11	2	10	31
Criminal	11	2	6	7	26

## **Wisconsin Court of Appeals Explanation of Termination Categories**

### **OPINIONS**

Includes three-judge and one-judge authored opinions and per curiam opinions. All per curiam opinions are assigned to a supervising judge who has the responsibility for approval of the final draft of the opinion after circulation to the panel.

### **SUMMARY DISPOSITIONS**

Includes opinions issued in the form of a court order after the court has reviewed the briefs and record, and following a screening and decision conference(s). All dispositions in this category are assigned to a supervising judge who is responsible for approval of the final draft of the opinion after circulation to the panel.

### **MEMO OPINIONS**

Includes opinions issued in the form of a court order prior to a screening and decision conference(s). Examples of memo opinions are: jurisdictional terminations; petitions for writs denied or granted if the order terminates the action; petitions for leave to appeal that are denied; summary disposition of unscreened cases – usually upon a motion; motions to dismiss on the merits that are granted; transfers to circuit court; any other miscellaneous termination of an appeal in which judicial time is expended and a full explication of reasoning is set forth.

### **OTHER**

Includes miscellaneous orders terminating cases that are issued by the Clerk's Office. Examples of miscellaneous orders are: voluntary dismissals; stipulations to dismiss; failure of an appellant to submit filing fee information.

**Please Note:** Case filings are counted according to the district of origin and tracked through the appellate process in the filing district. Terminations, however, are counted in the district that issued the opinion. For example, a case filed in District IV, but transferred to District III, will be counted as a pending case in District IV until the opinion is issued when adjustments will be made to reflect the termination by District III. In this example, the District III termination will result in one less case pending in District IV.

Page 2 of the Monthly Statistical Report reflects how many cases terminated by a particular district are transfer cases. Page 3 of the report reflects the current status of transfer cases.